GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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NATIONAL PILGRIM CENTRE
Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any decision for declaring Sabarimala as National Pilgrim Centre;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has taken any decision and Sabrimala Master Plan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) AND MINISTER OF STATE, CIVIL AVIATION (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) No, Madam. There is no provision for declaration of National Pilgrim Centres under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 and AMA&SR (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2010.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Sabrimala is not a centrally protected monument/site of national importance under Archaeological Survey of India. Hence, Archaeological Survey of India has not taken any decision for Sabrimala Master Plan.

(d) Does not arise.